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To: All County Medical Services Program (CMSP) County Welfare Directors

SUBJECT: LISTING OF CMSP CATASTROPHIC CASES FOR CALENDAR YEAR 1997

Enclosed you will find a copy of the CMSP catastrophic cases for calendar year 1997 for your County. The CMSP defines Catastrophic Cases as those cases which have accumulated over twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000) in CMSP paid claims during the reporting period.

Since this relatively small number of cases reflects a very large percentage of overall CMSP expenditures, the CMSP Governing Board is requesting that your County review the cases listed to insure that their potential for Medi-Cal eligibility has been fully and accurately evaluated. Further, the Board requests your expedited attention to the initiation of a disability based application for Medi-Cal where such action is appropriate.

Please note that in the case ID column you will find inconsistent identifiers. Those cases with an "M" immediately following the aid code are indicative of the individual's Social Security Number (SSN) and not the specific county ID number. For example, XX-84-M520483-2-28 should be checked on MEDS as the SSN 520-48-3228. In addition, those case identifiers with a "C" immediately following the aid code are Client Index numbers. In this situation the number xx-50-C921619-4-1D should be checked on MEDS under the Client Index number 92161941D. The remaining cases with "0" or "00" following the aid code are specific county case numbers. We regret any inconvenience that this may cause.

If you have any questions regarding this letter, please contact Mr. Gary Varner of the CMSP Unit at (916) 322-1613. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

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